



Idaho Master Naturalists – Pend Oreille Chapter

PO Box 1062, Sandpoint ID 83864

e-mail: imn.sandpoint@gmail.com

General Meeting Minutes August 16, 2012

Meeting was called to order at 4:10 pm by President Gail.

Members present: Gail, Clem, Phil, Karen, Dennis, Derek, Dave, Matt, Dave Yates, Lori (quorum of 4)

Secretary Report: Minutes of July 19, 2012, were approved **motion (Clem, 2nd Karen) passed unanimously**, they will be posted on MN Chapter website. Please check for new items on the Chapter Calendar on our website: <https://fishandgame.idaho.gov/sites/Wildlife/IDMasterNaturalist/northIdaho/Lists/Calendar/>

Treasurer Report: There is \$1183.36 in bank checking account. There are 3 outstanding checks yet to be cashed – \$25 Carrie Hugo, \$37.50 Native Plant for fair booth, and 76.06 to Selma for fair booth supplies. Grant balance remains same as June: spent \$1755, leaving balance \$2915.

Committees:

Training/Field trips: Chair – Jon

- The American Heritage Wildlife Foundation works to rehab wild injured animals and release them back into the wild. They are licensed and registered and will be hosting monthly Educational Programs the last Wednesday of each month in Hope. The first one with topic “Habitat” is August 29th at 6:00pm. <http://www.ahwf.org/> (these count as advanced education).

Volunteer Services (Science/Education): Chair - Dave

- Goat Peak trail clean up in association with FSPW, see their calendar.
- Water Steward class to train to monitor a local stream monthly for various conditions: oxygen, PH, insects, temperature, flow, etc., and report online. Good MN project!
- IDFG Roadkill reporting can be used for volunteer hours – if you see an animal dead on/off the road, report it. Or if you see a live animal, report it as well!
<https://fishandgame.idaho.gov/ifwis/observations/salvage/>

Communication: Chair – Valle (Lori reporting)

- Articles for Fall newsletter are due to Valle by Sept 26 (to Sara in Boise by Sept 28), Lori will be absent during this time and unable to help after 15 Sept. Take a look at our previous newsletters at: <https://fishandgame.idaho.gov/sites/Wildlife/IDMasterNaturalist/default.aspx> under newsletters on the left side of page.
- Library window display is scheduled for October 24th – December 4th.

Old Business:

- We will set up the fair booth we are sharing with Native Plant on Sunday 19 August at 4:30pm. If you

have volunteered to man the booth during the fair, please keep to the schedule, we are counting on you! Set up volunteers are: Gail, Don, Sylvia, Clem, Selma, and Lori. We are considering asking permission to set up in the Wildlife Building next year.

- Time was taken discussing the display and how best to explain ID Master Naturalist Program to fair-goers.
- WDC work days will continue to be on Thursdays, 9:00-12:00 into September. Check the calendar for up to date information. Bluebird nest boxes were installed to provide nesting for the swallows who now prefer the WDC building, Karen volunteered to monitor these boxes. Work continues around the pond to control the weeds.

New Business:

- Next General Chapter meeting will be September 20, **5:00pm** at the WDC for all general members, Board members will meet at 4:00pm. Bring beverage of your choice (wine/beer ok) and if you wish, an appetizer (not required).

Meeting Adjourned at 5:10pm

Respectfully submitted, Lori Getts, Secretary